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In re Application of:

Yan et al.

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Application No.: 09/908,943

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Petition Decision dated October 27, 2004, which included a new restriction requirement. This response is timely filed with a petition and fee for two-months extension of time.

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